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Applicants : Michael Butsch et al. Confirmation No.: 7784  
Serial No. : 09/890,715  
Filed : December 31, 2001  
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Examiner : S. K. Webb

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REQUEST FOR A TWO (2) MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request a two (2) month extension of time in the above-identified case so as to extend the period for filing a Notice of Appeal to expire on October 7, 2003.

Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$520.00 to cover the fee for filing this two month extension of time, Request for Oral Hearing and the cost of the Notice of Appeal.

If any additional fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

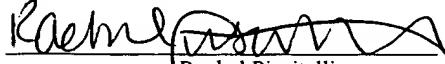
Respectfully submitted,

Michael Butsch et al.

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